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1. TEXT OF ARTICLE FROM FBIS FOR EA OF MARCH 29 FOLLOWS:

QUOTE LEADER, PRESS COMMENTS ON SPA LETTER

--- YUGOSLAVIA REPLY LETTER

PYONGYANG KCNA IN ENGLISH 0827 GMT 28 MAR 76 OW

(TEXT) PYONGYANG, MARCH 28 (KCNA)--THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SUPREME PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY OF DPRK HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM KIRO GLIGOROV, PRESIDENT OF THE FEDERAL SKUPSTINA OF THE SOCIALIST FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA, IN REPLY TO ITS LETTER SENT TO THE PARLIAMENTS AND GOVERNMENTS OF ALL COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD IN CONNECTION WITH THE TENSE SITUATION CREATED IN OUR COUNTRY OF LATE.

THE REPLY LETTER SAID:

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RESPECTED COMRADES, WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF YOUR PRECIOUS LETTER DATED MARCH 4 THIS YEAR ADDRESSED TO THE PARLIAMENTS AND GOVERNMENTS OF ALL COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD.

WE WOULD LIKE TO STRESS THAT THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE FEDERAL SKUPSTINA OF THE SOCIALIST FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA PAID DUE ATTENTION TO THE CONTENT OF THE LETTER AND THE YUGOSLAV PEOPLE AND NATIONS, THEIR DEPUTIES AND GOVERNMENT ALWAYS ATTACHED IMPORTANCE TO THE DEVELOPMENTS ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

IT IS ENTIRELY NATURAL FOR THE PEOPLE, THE SUPREME PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA TO FOCUS THEIR ATTENTION ON THEM.

WE KNOW WELL THAT THE PRESENCE OF THE FOREIGN TROOPS IN SOUTH KOREA IS THE BASIC OBSTACLE TO THE NORMALIZATION OF THE SITUATION AND THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION BY THE KOREAN PEOPLE. THEREFORE, YUGOSLAVIA HOLDS THAT ALL THE FOREIGN TROOPS STATIONED IN SOUTH KOREA MUST BE IMMEDIATELY WITHDRAWN.

THE KOREAN QUESTION HAS BEEN AN OBJECT OF DISCUSSION AT MANY MEETINGS OF NONALIGNED COUNTRIES POINTED OUT IN UNISON THAT THE KOREAN QUESTION WAS A PRODUCT OF THE ARTIFICIAL DIVISION OF THE COUNTRY AND ITS REMAINING UNSOLVED WAS A THREAT TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN ASIA AND THE REST OF THE WORLD (SIC).

THE CONFERENCE AFFIRMED ITS SUPPORT TO THE POLICY OF THE INDEPENDENT AND PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION OF THE COUNTRY.

WE SUPPORT WITH GREAT INTERESTS THE CONSISTENT EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA TO ACHIEVE THE PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION OF THE COUNTRY.

SOCIALIST YUGOSLAVIA, A MEMBER STATE OF THE NON-ALIGNMENT MOVEMENT, WHICH IS FAITHFUL TO HER PRINCIPLE, HAS ALWAYS UNCLASSIFIED

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CALLED FOR THE RIGHT OF ALL PEOPLES TO SELF-DETERMINATION, THEIR RIGHT TO INDEPENDENTLY DECIDE THEIR OWN DESTINY BY THEMSELVES AND THEIR RIGHT TO CHOOSE THE ROAD OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE AND HAS FULLY SUPPORTED AND WILL SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT FOR THE PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION OF THE COUNTRY ON THE PRINCIPLE OF UNITY AND THE PROGRAMME PUT FORTH BY PRESIDENT KIM IL-SONG OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA.

IN THIS WAY ANOTHER LATENT SOURCE OF SCOURGES CREATED IN
THE COLD WAR PERIOD MAY BE REMOVED.

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WHEN PRESIDENT KIM IL-SONG PAID A VISIT TO OUR COUNTRY
SOME TIME AGO, OUR PRESIDENT, JOSIP BROZ TITO, STRESSED
ONCE AGAIN THAT YUGOSLAVIA ALSO SUPPORTS YOUR EFFORTS FOR
THE COUNTRY'S PEACEFUL AND DEMOCRATIC REUNIFICATION AND
FULLY SUPPORTS THE STAND CLARIFIED BY PRESIDENT KIM IL-SONG
IN THE FIVE-POINT PROGRAMME.

YOU KNOW THAT YUGOSLAVIA HAS SUPPORTED KOREA'S PEACEFUL
REUNIFICATION NOT ONLY IN THE UNITED NATIONS BUT ALSO AT
MANY OTHER PLACES. YUGOSLAVIA WILL AS EVER ACTIVELY SUP-
PORT BY ALL POSSIBLE MEANS THE EFFORTS OF YOUR COUNTRY TO
REALIZE THE LEGITIMATE ASPIRATION OF THE KOREAN PEOPLE.

WE ARE CONVINCED THAT THE EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA WILL ENJOY SUPPORT
AT THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE OF THE NONALIGNED STATES TO BE
HELD IN COLOMBO IN AUGUST THIS YEAR AND THIS WILL HELP
TOWARD A FASTER AND FAIR SOLUTION OF THIS QUESTION.

WE EXPRESS TO THE SUPREME PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY OF THE FRIENDLY
AND SOCIALIST DPRK, A MEMBER STATE OF THE NON-ALIGNMENT
MOVEMENT, AND, THROUGH IT, TO THE ENTIRE PEOPLE OF YOUR
COUNTRY OUR UNDIVIDED SUPPORT AND OUR CONVICTION THAT THE
PROTRACTED ARTIFICIAL DIVISION OF YOUR COUNTRY WILL BE
BROUGHT TO AN END BY PEACEFUL MEANS. UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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